



GREATEST AMATEUR RACING EVENT IN THE WORLD

Astoria, Oregon  
July 22, 1951

*Soap Box Derby*

## *America's Secret Weapon*

This program of the First Annual Astoria Soapbox Derby is dedicated to the boys of today who are building skills that America will use tomorrow.

The contest is much more than an athletic event. The real benefits of the race are being stored for the future when the boys who learned to work with their hands become skilled artists.

It is the background of skill with hands and brains that is the real secret weapon of America. It is the one thing that has never been duplicated by any nation. It has been said by military leaders to be more precious than all of our most secret arms.

Boys who have given their time and efforts to the race will develop in some measure that competitive spirit that has kept the nation free and strong. Parents and neighbors have a right to be proud of these boys today. Tomorrow, the nation will be proud of them.

The sponsors of this race, the Lovell Auto Company and the Astorian-Budget, are thankful that they have been able to contribute to the boys of this region.



**JOHN KILPACK**  
Lovell Auto Co.  
Derby Director



**HAROLD HUGHES**  
Astorian-Budget  
Assistant Derby Director

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Publisher  
Astorian-Budget



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Ramp and Location



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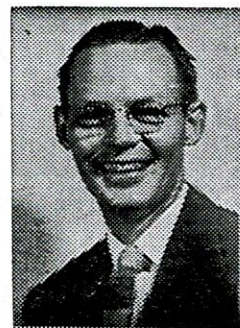
Gill Rush  
Concession



Howard Hedrick  
Program



Harold Snow  
Judges



Warren Grimberg  
Publicity

## CONTESTANTS

1—Don Johnson



Floyd Reith & Sons

2—Albert Klang



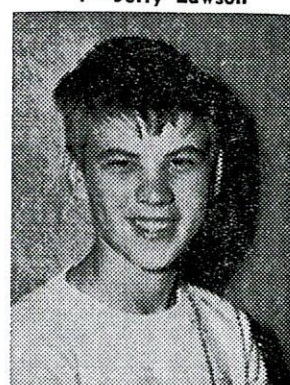
Greenberg's Furniture

3—Robert Clement



Roman Appliance

4—Jerry Lawson



Seaside Moose

5—Phillip Shoop



Lion's Club

8—Robert Bentley



Lion's Club

9—Lynn Heesch



Shaner & Co.

10—Wayne Blackburn



Astoria Moose

12—Tom Wells



Reed & Grimberg

13—Jim Lopakka



Astoria Elks

## CONTESTANTS

14—Henry Sjoblom



Finnish Market

15—Lloyd Bennett



Rotary Club

16—Rex Prechel



Ed Fearey & Co.

17—Bill Stanley



Lower Columbia Dairy

19—John Petersen



Astoria Business Equipment

21—David Rinell



Brookfield Co.

22—Mickey Smith



Fisher Bros.

24—Doug Ferguson



Burke's Men's Store

25—William Palmberg



Astoria Oil Co.

26—Michael Brunmeier



Knights of Columbus

NO.

NAME

## CLASS A

TIME

TIME

WILLIAM PALMBERG	PALMBERG	
LARRY CAMPBELL		Palmberg
CHARLES ALBIN	SWENSEN	
DICK SWENSEN		
BOB CAMPBELL	CAMPBELL	
BILL SPORRE		LAWSON
LAWSON	LAWSON	
FERGUSON		
REX PEECHEL	HEAD	
DANNY HEAD		ROPPELL
ROPPELL	ROPPELL	
RANNE		
SMITH	(RINNELL - BYE)	
RINNELL	Johnson	Johnson
PETERSON	PETERSON	
ALBIN		
Johnson	Morrison	
BLACKBURN		Shoop
KOSKELA	Shoop	
Schant		
Chafe	Rinnell	
Moore		

NO.

NAME

## CLASS B

TIME

TIME

DONALD CONE ✓

STOBLOM

HENRY STOBLOM

SJOBLON

James Luoma ✓

LINDSTROM

Tommy Lindstrom

DONALD LADDWELL

LADDWELL R

~~FENTE CAMPBELL~~M<sup>c</sup>CALLISTER

BILL STANLEY ✓

M<sup>c</sup>CALLISTERM<sup>c</sup>CALLISTER

EDDIE HALL ✓

BENNETT

LLOYD BENNETT

J Stanley

BRUNMEIER

J STANLEY

J STANLEY

REILLY ✓

KLANG

KLANG

KLANG

HEESCH ✓

HEESCH

JARVINEY

WELLS

WELLS

LOPARKA

WELLS

CLEMENT

CLEMENT

BENTLEY

NO.	NAME	CLASS B	TIME
	John Stanley		
	HENR SJOLBLOM		WELLS
			TIME WELLS

	KLAWG		
	WELLS		
	J. McALLISTER		
		(Jim M <sup>c</sup> CALLISTER)	
		<u>Prize</u>	
		434 - TAYLOR AVE	

CLASS A			
	Palmberg		
	LAWSON		
	ROPELL		
	RINKELL		
	Johnson		
	Shoop		

FINAL			

## CONTESTANTS

27—Don Landwehr



City Lumber & Supply Co.

29—James Luoma



Pacific Power & Light Co.

30—Jim McCallister



Ed. Niemi

32—Danny Head



Interstate Tractor & Equip.

34—Dick Swensen



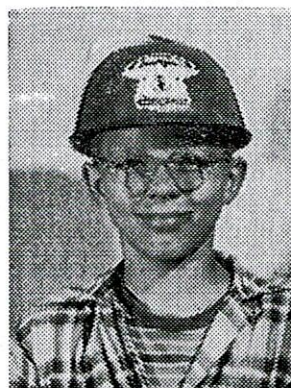
Astoria Public Market

36—James Reilly



American Legion

38—David Jarvinen



KVAS

40—John Rannells



Astoria Plywood

41—Edward Hall



McGregor's Supply

42—Bob Campbell



Substitute Driver

## CONTESTANTS

43—Larry Campbell



Larson Dairy

44—Ernie Campbell



Seaside Dairy Queen

45—Jim Albin



U. S. National Bank

46—Chas. Albin



Snow's Electric

47—John Stanley



Knights of Pythias

48—Tom Lindstrom



Dr. Lindstrom

49—Bill Sporre



Astoria Sporting Goods

50—Glen Morrison



Astoria Elks

51—Henry Schulte



Newell Chevrolet

11—Joe Koskela



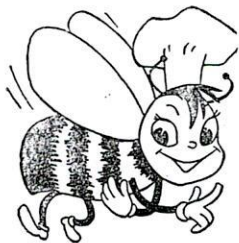
Point Adams Packing

NO PICTURE

37—Donald Caen  
Loop & Jacobson

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28—Frank Roppel  
Builders' Supply



In the Soapbox Derby It's Speed That Counts  
... In Seafood It's Quality!

**COLUMBIA RIVER PACKERS ASSN., INC.**

ASTORIA, ORE.



**BETTER BUY  
BUMBLE BEE BRAND**



REDDY KILOWATT extends his  
best wishes to all the boys in  
the ASTORIA SOAPBOX DERBY.

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YOUR Chevrolet, Buick and Cadillac Dealer  
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Official Soapbox Derby.

All our best wishes ride with the Astoria  
winner at the National Race.

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TO ALL THE BOYS  
IN THE ASTORIA SOAPBOX DERBY**

**SHELL OIL CO.**